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## **Appointments**

Assistant Professor, Drexel University, Department of Politics, 2015-present  
Open Society Fellow, 2017-2018  
Visiting Scholar, McGill University, Centre for International Peace and Security Studies, 2014  
Postdoctoral Fellow in International Law, Drexel University, 2012-2015

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## **Education**

Ph.D. Political Science, Ohio State University, 2012  
M.A. Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware, 2006  
B.A. European Studies and International Relations, Babeş-Bolyai University (Romania), 2004

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## **Research and Teaching Interests**

International Law and Norms, Human Rights, Race and International Politics, Roma, and  
International Relations Theory

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## **Publications**

### Book

*Evading International Norms: Race and Rights in the Shadow of Legality* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, Pennsylvania Studies in Human Rights, forthcoming).

### Journal Articles (peer-reviewed)

“Racism and Antiracism in the Liberal International Order,” 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary issue of *International Organization* (forthcoming).

“Emergent Flexibility in Institutional Development: How International Rules Really Change” (with Erin Graham), *International Studies Quarterly* (forthcoming).

“Is the Good News About Law Compliance Good News About Norm Compliance? The Case of Racial Equality” *International Organization*, vol. 72, no. 2 (2018): 351-385.

- Best Post-PhD Paper Award by ISA’s Theory Section

“Evading International Law: How Agents Comply with the Letter of the Law but Violate Its Purpose,” *European Journal of International Relations*, vol. 23, no. 4 (2017): 857-883.

“The Color of Threat: Race, Threat Perception, and the Demise of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance (1902-1923),” *Security Studies*, vol. 22, no. 4 (2013): 573-606.

#### Other Publications

“Law, Morality, and Culture in *Rights as Weapons*,” *Ethics and International Affairs*, November 2019, online book symposium on Clifford Bob, *Rights as Weapons* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2019).

“Race and International Relations.” In *Oxford Bibliographies in International Relations*. Ed. Patrick James. New York: Oxford University Press, 2017.

“Presidential Disaster Declaration Decisions, 1953-2003: What Influences Odds of Approval?” *State and Local Government Review* Vol. 39, No. 1 (2007): 3-15 (with Richard Sylves)

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#### Selected Work in Progress

“Normative Communities in International Relations” (with Rochelle Terman), Revise & Resubmit, *International Studies Quarterly*.

“Race, Norms, and Terrorist Designations: The Case of White Supremacist Terrorism” (with Anna Meier), prepared for the *Security Studies* special issue on race and security

“Shaming at the Intersection of Legality and Morality” (with Sarah Bush and Lauren Prather)

“Race and Ideology in International Relations,” invited chapter in a handbook on the study of ideology and International Relations, edited by Mark Haas and Jonathan Leader Maynard (under contract with Routledge)

“Race and US Policy in the Indo-Pacific,” invited chapter in the Routledge Handbook of US Policy in the Indo-Pacific, edited by Oliver Turner, Nicola Nymalm, and Wali Aslam.

*Yellow Peril: Race and Threat Perception in International Politics* (book manuscript in progress)

“Balanced or Biased? French Courts and the Eviction of Roma Shantytowns, 2009-2019”

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#### Invited Workshops and Talks

Columbia University International Politics Seminar (CUIPS) (scheduled for January 28, 2021)  
University of Massachusetts-Amherst, workshop on Conflict, Violence and Security (scheduled for December 10, 2020)

Georgetown University, GPEP-R speaker series (scheduled for December 3, 2020)

Swarthmore College (scheduled for October 21, 2020)

University of Pennsylvania, Christopher H. Browne Center Summer Virtual IR Workshop, July 9, 2020

University of Chicago, workshop, “Resistance and Opposition to Liberal International Institutions,” May 8, 2020 (postponed because of the pandemic)

University of Wisconsin-Madison, invited talk, International Relations Colloquium, March 3, 2020

Drexel University Law School Faculty Workshop, invited talk, January 30, 2020

Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (Germany), workshop, “Exploring Norm Relations and Norm Interactions in a Complex Global Order,” 7-8 November, 2019

Freie Universität Berlin (Germany), workshop, 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary issue of *International Organization*, June 12-14, 2019

University of Minnesota International Relations Colloquium, invited talk, October 29, 2018

University of Wisconsin-Madison, workshop, 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary issue of *International Organization*, September 6-8, 2018

Open Society Fellows Retreats: Mexico City (April 2019), Dakar (April 2018), and Budapest (June 2017)

University of Washington International Security Colloquium, invited talk, March 2, 2018

Open Society Foundations, workshop, “Critical Rights,” Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina), October 22-26, 2017

Temple Workshops on International Institutions and Global Governance, Philadelphia (October 12, 2018; November 4, 2016; October 30, 2015)

“The Forced (Im)mobility of EU Citizens of Roma Ethnicity,” workshop, Bucharest (Romania) April 7, 2016

International Studies Association (ISA), workshop, “The Instrumental Uses of Norms in World Politics,” Atlanta, 2016

McGill University, workshop, “Nationalism and War,” May 9, 2015

Seton Hall University, invited talk, December 2, 2014

McGill University, invited talk, September 19, 2014

University of Delaware Colloquium on Global Governance and Society, invited talk, April 18, 2014

University of Pennsylvania, workshop, “From Imperial Science to International Relations,” September 27, 2013

American Political Science Association (APSA), workshop, “Interpretive Methods in Political Science,” Toronto, September 2009

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### **Selected Conference Presentations**

“Race and the Liberal International Order,” ISA 2020 (cancelled)

“Evading International Norms,” APSA 2019

“Normative Communities in International Society,” ISA 2019, APSA 2018 (with R. Terman)

“An Evasion Model of Norm Resistance,” APSA 2017; Junior Scholar Symposium panel, ISA 2015; ISA 2014

“Lost in Legal Translation: How Legalization Allows Human Rights Violations,” ISA 2017

“Rethinking Flexibility in International Institutions” (with E. Graham) ISA 2017, APSA 2016

“French Courts and Roma Evictions” Council for European Studies Conference 2016

“Nationalism and Balancing,” ISA 2016

“The Rise of China and Western Threat Perceptions: Avoiding the ‘Yellow Peril’,” ISA 2014

“Playing the International Race Card,” MPSA 2013

“Race and Arms Control: How Race Inflated Fears of a Nuclear China and Facilitated the 1963 Limited Test Ban Treaty,” APSA 2012 (accepted)

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## Teaching Experience

Introduction to International Relations (undergraduate lecture)  
Introduction to Political Science (undergraduate lecture)  
International Human Rights (undergraduate seminar)  
American Foreign Policy (undergraduate seminar)  
Race in International Relations (undergraduate seminar)  
International Security (undergraduate seminar)  
Ethics and International Relations (undergraduate seminar)

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## Awards and Grants

2020 Faculty Summer Research Award for Tenure/Tenure-Track Faculty, Drexel (\$7,000)  
College of Arts and Sciences Fellowship, Drexel University, Summer 2019  
International Studies Association, Theory Section, Best Post-PhD Paper Award (2017-2018)  
Open Society Fellowship 2017-2018 (\$80,000)  
Outstanding STAR (Students Tackling Advanced Research) Mentor nominations, 2017, 2015  
Humanities and Social Science Fellowship, Drexel University, 2016 (\$4,000)  
McGill University Fellowship, Centre for International Peace and Security Studies, 2014  
International Studies Association Travel Grant, 2011 (\$250)  
Ohio State University's Distinguished University Fellowship, 2011-2012 and 2007-2008  
Commendation for Excellence in Teaching by OSU Department Chair, Spring 2011  
Mershon Center for International Security, Dissertation Research Grant 2011 (\$4323)  
Ohio State University Derby Scholarship, School of Graduate Studies 2007 (\$400)  
University of Delaware Graduate Travel Fund and Alumni Enrichment Awards 2006 (\$1600)

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## Professional Activities and Related Service

Reviewer for *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *European Journal of International Relations*, *International Organization*, *International Studies Perspectives*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Theory*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Review of International Studies*, *Security Studies*, *The Journal of Global Security Studies*, *Oxford University Press*  
Managing Editor of *International Theory* (2009-2010)  
Dissertation committee member for Vanessa Quince, University of Washington (2018)  
External Reader, PhD Dissertation Defense, Danielle Scherer, "Return to the First Image: A Place for Peoples in International Relations," Temple University, (November 15, 2018).  
Co-organizer (with Fernando Nuñez-Mietz) of "Instrumental Uses of International Law at the Intersection of Legality and Legitimacy," panel at APSA 2017  
Discussant, Norm Dynamics Reconsidered, panel at ISA 2017  
Discussant, Understanding Resistance to Transnational Human Rights Norms, panel at ISA 2015  
Discussant, Assessing the Impact of International Law on Non-Parties, panel at ISA 2015  
Discussant, Diplomacy as Change Management in International Security, panel at ISA-PSS, Budapest, Hungary, June 2013

Discussant, Power, Conflict, and Cooperation, MPSA, 2013  
Discussant, “Domination and De-legitimation: Eroding Unipolarity and China’s Vision for International Order” (Randall Schweller and Xiaoyu Pu), OSU, October 2008

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### **Departmental, College, and University Service**

Faculty advisor of Dragons for UNICEF student organization, 2019-present  
Faculty advisor for Drexel Student Power Network, 2020-2021  
Department of Politics Curriculum Committee, 2016-2017, 2018-present  
College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, April 2020-present  
Department of Politics Writing Prize Committee, 2016-2017, 2019-present  
“Evading International Norms,” guest lecture in the Introduction to Multi-Disciplinary Methods class, Drexel University, March 4, 2020  
“Awful but Lawful: Race and Rights in the Shadow of Legality,” talk in the “Spotlight On...” Series, Office of Global Engagement, Drexel University, January 15, 2020  
Open House, Department of Politics, October 13, 2019  
Judge at the poster session of Students Tackling Advanced Research, August 29, 2019  
Open House, Department of Politics, August 17, 2019; also 2015 and 2016.  
MA Thesis Defense, Kevin Thomas, Jr, no title (thesis on reducing prison recidivism in Philadelphia), June 5, 2019  
Judge for Drexel Publishing Group Essay Contest, April-May 2019  
Judge at poster presentations for the Drexel Emerging Graduate Scholar conference, April 10, 2019  
MA Thesis Defense, Sembu Kamara, “Employment Outcomes of African Immigrants in Philadelphia,” October 2018  
“Roma Participation in Politics,” talk given to a South American delegation at an event of Citizen Diplomacy International of Philadelphia, April 2018  
Co-organizer (with Phillip Ayoub) of Drexel’s APSA event on social movements and international law, featuring Sidney Tarrow (Cornell University) and Ian Hurd (Northwestern University), Philadelphia, September 2016  
Carnegie Junior Fellows Selection Committee, 2014 and 2016  
Student Degree Clearing through Hyperion and Degree Works, 2016-2017  
Raft Debate: A Disciplinary Battle to Save Humanity (Representing Political Science), 2016  
Students Tackling Advanced Research (STAR) Scholar Mentor, 2014-present  
Other:  
Volunteer Coach, Clark Park Soccer Youth League, 2016  
*OSCE International Observer* at the Presidential Elections of Azerbaijan, October 2003

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### **Languages**

Hungarian (native), Romanian (native), English (proficient), French (intermediate), German (basic)

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### **References available upon request.**

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